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Members of the Human Services Committee Connecticut General Assembly

RE: H.B. 6618 "An Act Concerning Medical Assistance for Certain Persons Receiving Abortion Care and Related Services in Connecticut"

Dear Members of the Human Services Committee

I am writing to voice my opposition to H.B. 6618 and to ask you not to pass this bill out of committee.

The Supreme Court decision to overturn the Roe vs Wade did not outlaw abortion in the United States of America. It returned the power to each state to approve laws regarding abortion based on the will of the people in that state. While some states have approved term limits on abortion, it is not against the law in any state. It is not the responsibility of the State of Connecticut legislators to interfere with the will of the people in other states.

I'm sure that members of this committee would not approve other states enacting legislation giving gun permits and free guns to Connecticut residents because of the strict gun laws in this state.

Secondly, the tax money paid by Connecticut residents should be used for purposes that benefit them and improve their lives and should not be used for elective medical procedures of people from other states that do not support the economy or pay taxes in Connecticut. It would be a dereliction of duty to squander tax payers' money for any purpose that does not benefit them.

Thirdly, there have been more black children aborted in the US than those born since the Roe v Wade decision 50 years ago. That seems to me like a direct attack against people of color to keep them as a minority in this country. If this committee approves this bill, it would perpetuate this systemic eradication of minorities.

These are the main reasons why I oppose this bill and I implore the committee members to consider these reasons and put them above taking any virtue signaling actions.

Please, do not approve bill H.B. 6618. Thank you for consideration.